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FM AMCONSUL LOURENCO MARQUES

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 3209

INFO AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY LISBON IMMEDIATE

AMCONSUL LUANDA IMMEDIATE

CINCLANTFLT NORFOLK VA

USS TRIPPE

USS JOSEPH HEWES

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C O N F I D E N T I A L LOURENCO MARQUES 0091

LISBON ALSO FOR USDAO

CINCLANT ALSO FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MILI, MZ, PO

SUBJECT: DESTROYER VISITS

REF: (A) LOURENCO MARQUES 084; (B) STATE 16001

(C) USDAO 221050Z JAN 75; (D) CAPE TOWN 759

1. FOLLOWING NOTIFICATION OF CLEARANCE FROM USDAO LISBON (REF C), WE IMMEDIATELY BEGAN BUREAUCRATIC FORMALITIES IN LOW KEY WITH OFFICE OF NAVAL COMMANDER. ON JANUARY 23, WE WERE TOLD THEY HAD RECEIVED CLEARANCE FROM LISBON AND, WHEN ASKED, THEY STATED THAT TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT HAD BEEN INFORMED. HOWEVER, UPON CHECKING WITH REFINERY OFFICIAL, WE WERE TOLD THAT TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT FUELING COMMITTEE HAD NOT BEEN INFORMED OF CLEARANCE. WHEN WE RECHECKED WITH OFFICE OF NAVAL  
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COMMANDER ON JANUARY 24 AT 11:00 A.M. LOCAL TIME, WE WERE

TOLD MISTAKE HAD BEEN MADE, THAT TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT HAD BEEN INFORMED BUT THAT IT "DID NOT APPROVE OF VISIT" AND THAT CONSUL GENERAL WOULD BE SO INFORMED BY HIGH COMMISSIONER. (HE MAY BE REFERRING MATTER BACK TO LISBON RIGHT NOW.)

2. SINCE HIGH COMMISSIONER IS NOT ONLY REPRESENTATIVE OF PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT HERE, BUT ALSO COMMANDER OF ARMED FORCES, I HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTING URGENTLY TO OBTAIN APPOINTMENT WITH HIM BUT DO NOT EXPECT HE WILL SEE ME BEFORE MONDAY. I INTEND FIRST TO ASCERTAIN FACTS FROM HIGH COMMISSIONER. IF HE CONFIRMS THAT TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT IS AGAINST THE VISIT, I INTEND POINT OUT THAT VISIT WOULD BE TANGIBLE DEMONSTRATION OF OUR SUPPORT FOR TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT AND THAT IT WOULD PROVIDE BOTH PSYCHOLOGICAL AND ECONOMIC BENEFITS IN CURRENT SITUATION. I WILL ASK HIM TO CONVEY THESE POINTS TO TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT.

3. IN MEANTIME, UNTIL FACTS ESTABLISHED AND AS A MATTER OF PRUDENCE, SUGGEST NAVY BEGIN CONTINGENCY PLANNING FOR ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS. DO NOT RECOMMEND ANY FURTHER DIPLOMATIC ACTION, UNTIL I CAN REPORT BACK TO DEPARTMENT.

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